

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Exemplary embodiments of the present invention selectively adapt the pad architecture on bi-directional opto-electronic transceiver modules to connect to legacy unidirectional ports, panels and the like. This allows the bi-directional module to function correctly when connected to either a unidirectional or a bi-directional port. Conversely, exemplary embodiments also selectively adapt the pad architecture on bi-directional patch panels or ports to connect to legacy unidirectional optoelectronic transceiver modules. This allows the port to function correctly when either a bi-directional or a unidirectional transceiver is connected to it.

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